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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Gerard *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/245,025

Filed: February 5, 1999

For: **Compositions and Methods for
Reverse Transcription of Nucleic
Acid Molecules**

Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Tung, P.

Atty. Docket: 0942.4330003/RWE/MTT

Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **August 14, 2001**, (PTO Prosecution File
Wrapper Paper No. 14), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This
Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along
with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37
C.F.R. § 1.111 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version
with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are
required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying
this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent

abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned

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